

ENEMIES IN SENATE THREATEN TREATIES

Irreconcilables Make War
on Four-Power and
Naval Pacts.

DEMAND SECRET DATA

If President Has None
Hughes May Be Called
for Oral Account.

HITCHCOCK WANTS LIGHT

Will Not Deal With Pacific
Treaty in Dark, He Tells
Colleagues.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
Washington, Feb. 18. (Associated Press.)

Republican irreconcilables and Democratic members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee threaten to form a coalition to hold up indefinitely the four power and naval limitations treaties.

Such a coalition, and which is now in the making, could prevent any of the treaties being favorably reported. The objections to the compacts by the proposed coalition will not be removed. It was explained, until the Senate is informed fully regarding the secret negotiations and private conversations which preceded the making of the Pacific four power treaty and as to how far American military and naval activities in the Pacific are to be curtailed.

The coalition will not be satisfied if President Harding on Monday merely informs the Senate, in response to the Hitchcock resolution calling upon him for all available information respecting the Pacific treaty, that no written record was kept of the secret negotiations and private conversations engaged in by Secretary Hughes, Baron Kato, head of the Japanese delegation, and Arthur J. Balfour, chief spokesman of the British delegation, which led up to the drafting and signing of the treaty.

May Call, Hughes.
If President Harding, it is stated, only points out that so far as the known available written records and minutes regarding the secret sessions of the conference have been laid before the Senate a demand will be made on the Senate floor, as well as in the committee, that Secretary Hughes be requested to appear before the committee.

Such a course of procedure may force Secretary Hughes to cut short his trip to Bermuda, as the friends of the treaties are anxious to get action on them as soon as possible.
If there are no written records of the conversations the committee will insist that Secretary Hughes tell orally all the details of the conversation as he remembers them leading up to the treaties.
Senator Hitchcock (Neb.), ranking Democratic member of the committee, says he "does not propose to deal with the Pacific pact in the dark" and he was "astonished that the committee, at least, had not been told all about the particular circumstances" which he understood attended the secret negotiations and private conversations which led up to the treaty.

Will Take Up Fight.
The Nebraska Senator intends to leave Monday for his home to start his campaign for reelection and he will be gone probably for some time. His Democratic colleagues on the committee, Senators Pomeroy (Ohio) and Swanson (Va.), it is reported, are prepared to take up the fight for publicity.

Senator Johnson (Cal.) is prepared to fight at the committee meeting Monday against Article XIX of the Naval Limitation Treaty providing for a status quo with regard to the fortifications and naval bases in the Pacific. He is of the opinion that the United States might be placed at a serious disadvantage in the Pacific under such a provision.

Attention was drawn by Senator Johnson to the fact that in his report on the naval appropriations bill for the 1922 fiscal year Senator Poinsett (Wash.), then acting chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, stated that "the committee recommends \$1,499,000 toward the development of a naval base on the island of Guam, which we are advised by the technical officers of the navy is of the greatest strategic importance."

"Certainly if technical officers of the navy regarded Guam as of greatest strategic importance," says Senator Johnson, "they can hardly regard it of less strategic importance this year, the results of the armament conference notwithstanding."

In the same report Senator Johnson says Senator Poinsett emphasized the fact that "generally speaking the facilities on the Pacific coast for naval bases at the present time are in the ratio of one to four as compared with the Atlantic coast."

"We are asked," adds Senator Johnson, "by our British and Japanese friends under Article XIX, of the naval treaty not to fortify Guam or to construct any fortifications west of the Hawaiian Islands, where we now have none, although Great Britain and Japan are abundantly supplied with both naval bases and fortifications in the vast reaches of the Pacific in which we are told we are not to mount a single gun for the protection of our possessions."

Because of the strong opposition which has developed to the four power treaty and the naval treaties in the Foreign Relations Committee Senator New (Ind.), a member of the committee, announced to-day he would not return to Indiana for some time to participate in his campaign for reelection.

Senator New feels that his first duty is to see that the treaties are ratified, and for that reason he intends to leave his campaign in the hands of his friends until the treaties are out of the way.
Reports that former President Wilson had sent word to his friends in the Senate to support the four power treaty were denied vigorously by the Wilson Democrats in that body. They say he is taking no part in the treaty discussion.

JAPANESE DIVIDED
OVER ARMS PARLEY
Conservatives See Trick; Opponents Find Opportunity.

TOKYO, Jan. 30 (Associated Press).—Results of the arms conference at Washington have split the Japanese element of Japan into two opposing camps, so-

Extends Conclave Period to Get Americans There

ROME, Feb. 18 (Associated Press).—The American Cardinals have formally asked Pope Pius to alter the constitution of the conclave, lengthening the period that must elapse between the death of the Pope and the convening of the conclave, in order to enable them to attend papal elections in the future. The Pope has received the request favorably, and, according to reports in Vatican quarters, will extend the period from ten to fifteen days, deeming it unwise to leave the church longer without a head.

According to a staff correspondent of the Kokusai News Agency, the Conservative group views the Washington agreement with uneasiness and feels that Japan has fallen a prey to the designs of the United States and European Powers. The Progressives declare the Washington conference has given Japan a golden opportunity to become one of the leaders in uplifting civilization.

This latter school maintains that Japan's future is bound up with three problems—what to do with an increasing population, where to obtain a food supply and where to obtain raw material. It is pointed out that fields of emigration are limited, since many Powers bar Japanese. It also is said that other nations are disinclined to supply Japan with raw materials owing to their fear of Japanese influence on the world's trade.

The Progressives reply to these questions is a demand that Japan maintain the friendliest relations with other Powers and by peaceful means obtain a hearing for her problems. They even go so far as to suggest that an international arrangement might be brought about whereby Japan would purchase Mongolia and Manchuria from China and settle all these questions for all time.

AMERICAN CARDINALS VISIT CHURCH IN ROME

Santa Susanna Intrusted to
the Paulist Fathers.

ROME, Feb. 18. (Associated Press.)—Boston and Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia to-day visited the Church of Santa Susanna, which beginning February 26 will become the American Catholic Church here, intrusted to the American Paulist Fathers. The Church of Santa Susanna, which adjoins the American Embassy, was built in 1660 on the site of the oratory founded by Pope Calixtus in the third century.

With reference to a report that Cardinal Gasparri was to be replaced as Papal Secretary of State by Mgr. Cerretti, now Papal Nuncio at Paris, a semi-official Vatican statement to-day said:
"It is superfluous to state that such a report is absolutely unfounded. Cardinal Gasparri has not displayed any intention of leaving his high office, and he enjoys the complete confidence of Pope Pius, as he in the past enjoyed that of Pope Benedict."

POPE RECEIVES ENVOYS OF 25 NATIONALITIES

Blesses Them in a Bench,
Urging Universal Peace.

ROME, Feb. 18 (Associated Press).—Pope Pius to-day received collectively the twenty-five accredited diplomats to the Vatican, instead of individually. All the Ambassadors and Ministers were present except Ambassador de Azeredo of Brazil, who is ill.
Marquis Villalón, the Spanish Ambassador and dean of the diplomats, pressed the satisfaction of the diplomats with the election of the new Pontiff. He said the diplomats already had had an opportunity to appreciate the Holy Father's gifts as representative of the Holy See. He expressed the fervent aspirations of the Vatican diplomatic corps for the success of the Pontificate.

Pope Pius, in response, expressed gratification for the diplomats' wishes "for the great work of universal pacification, which was the object and magnificent end of our intended pontificate." He urged them to contribute to "universal pacification, which is the aspiration of all peoples." He concluded by imparting the apostolic benediction to the diplomats, their families and the countries they represent.

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Vienna Believes Economic
Restoration Assured by
Promises of Powers.

CONTROL BARS WASTE

Socialists and Communists
Uneasy, Lkening Country
to Allied Colony.

SOME WRITERS SKEPTICS

Unless Devoted to Home
Needs, Say Money Will
Be Dissipated.

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VIENNA, Feb. 18.—Austria's economic restoration, which has been Europe's problem since the peace conference, is now assured. Following the extension of credits by England and France and a promise of help by the United States the last impediment was removed by the declaration of the Italian Minister here that Italy was willing to grant credits up to 100,000,000 lire immediately. This means that Austria can now commence to purchase large stores of raw materials for her manufactures.

Although most of the newspapers see in Italy's change of attitude an expression of fear that she will lose her influence in this part of Europe to France, thereby increasing the success of France's aspirations to control central Europe through the "Little Entente," Italy's credits will be accepted gladly.

Expenditure Supervised.

The Government considers that only constant manifestations of confidence that Austria will come back will eventually stabilize the currency. The nation's advancing the credits will now establish a control commission to prevent the waste of funds, which will spell Austria's salvation.

While the newspapers representing the capitalists are favoring this scheme of establishing a control commission, as they are afraid of any demagogic experiments, the Socialists are expressing uneasiness, and this is increased by the attitude of the Communists, who say that attempts are being made to degrade Austria to the level of an allied colony.

The middle classes generally take the view that the rage of the Communists only proves the justice of the English demand that all expenditures of money obtained must be strictly controlled and the greatest economy exercised to prevent a repetition of the plight Austria has been in since the war.

The Minister of Finance has informed Parliament that Austria will at least now have the right to dispose of English credits by special approval of the British financial delegate in each case.

Internal Improvement Needed.

Some of the skepticism over the possibility of early stabilization of the currency is justified, however, as financial writers are unanimous in declaring that stabilization is only possible if Austria's internal situation improves simultaneously with the buying up of large sums of Austrian currency abroad. But neither of these is possible just now, as any credits to be obtained must be devoted to meet home requirements. In fact some already have been spent in advance.

Internally there is little prospect of economic improvement as long as labor continues to ask higher wages for less work and the Government has no power to restore order in this direction. Some of the keenest financial observers are urging the Powers to limit their credits by conditions such as a definite veto against the socialization of Austrian enterprises, which has proved an absolute failure, and insistence on the

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Hopes Germany Will Aid.
Dr. Benes hopes that through the conference Germany will join and let herself be bound by the common network of international intercourse.

"The succession States, as well as all other countries contiguous to Germany," said Dr. Benes, "must take her presence into account. By the weight of her ethnographic mass alone Germany is bound to play a large part in the affairs of the conference. No encirclement can prevent her from breaking through economically."

"After Germany, next in importance comes Russia, which at present is a great void in the international situation. Czechoslovakia all along has taken the

line that the Chinese wall separating Russia from the rest of the world must be pulled down. Light must be let into the situation, for mystery and silence are profitable only to the forces of anarchy. The conference is to be welcomed if it will help to bring clarity into relations which are now obscure, if it will assist Russia to scramble out of the pit trap into which she has been precipitated."

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PRIEST IS ROBBED OF \$25,000 IN BONDS

Burglar Enters Rectory and
Escapes Capture.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Liberty bonds said to total \$25,000 were stolen to-day from the rectory of St. Nicholas Church, Aurora. The bonds were the personal property of the pastor, Father T. J. Weber.

Father of Little Entente.

Dr. Benes is 38 years old and the son of a peasant. He attended the public schools, but never received any administrative training. From a student he became almost overnight Foreign Minister, and then Prime Minister as well. Now this new chief of a new State, with his youth, vigor and clarity of vision, may even hold the key of the future of Europe, some officials believe. He has shown himself to be a man of action, and Southeastern Europe already bears the permanent impress of his personality.

Although he is of the professor class at the outbreak of the war he was a lecturer on sociology at Prague University—he has shown a remarkable degree of practical statesmanship. He has studied law in Paris, London and Berlin, and was largely responsible for the formation of the "Little Entente." He also showed magnanimity in favoring a loan to Austria. Dr. Benes visited Paris before coming to London and departed for Rome yesterday. He is resolved to unify the aims of the "Little Entente" for the Geneva conference.

BRITISH OFFICIAL SHOT IN STREETS OF CAIRO

Another Wounded English-
man Found Dying in Street.

CAIRO, Feb. 18 (Associated Press).—An attempt was made to-day upon the life of R. Aldred Brown, Controller-General of the Egyptian Ministry of Education. He was struck by a revolver bullet and seriously wounded.

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